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Subject: Planning Application 20/01747/F Change of Use of land to a 6 pitch Gypsy and Traveler Site

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19th August 2020
Dear Sirs

Planning Application 20/01747/F Change of Use of land to a 6 pitch Gypsy and Traveller site.

I list below for your consideration the following:

The report for Cherwell, Oxford, South Oxfordshire, and Vale of White Horse GTAA2017-2036 States that a further 7 sites will be needed, surely these are already catered for with the existing planning granted.

The charity 'Friends, Families and Travellers' (FFT) has been working on behalf of Gypsies and Travellers since 1994. Their advice on the purchase of land for possible development advocates that "The land should be in an area where you have a local connection. For example, you have lived there for a long time, you have close family there, your children attend the local school, or you are registered with local doctors." There does not appear to be an affiliation with Piddington or the surrounding villages.

It should also be noted that this land is prone to flooding and extra buildings and drainage will influence the village in general. If this extra planning is granted and assuming each family has 4 members, there will be an extra 24 Gypsy or Travellers moving to Piddington, 1 in 9 people living in Caravans. This will have an unjustifiably negative effect on the village.

One final point on extra traffic and road condition. This lane twist & turns, and the road surface is not good so extra heavy traffic will have a detrimental effect.

I hope the District Councillors will realise that extra development will be a mistake and reject this application.

Yours faithfully,

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